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T. & his heirs begotten of the body of Alice & in default of such issue to the use & behoof of the right heirs of Gab. T. as the said enfeoffment clealry shows —— by virtue of which by the statue of use (quite illegible) —— lately King of England, the —— (48th or may be) 4th Hen. viii, on the 4th day of Feb. in the (27th ?) year of his reign.

The said Robert Throckmorton after the execution of the said deed of enfeofment & sometime before his death married one Alice (blank), who was wife of the said Ro. at his death & is now living & resides at Thornedon in the Co. of Middlesex and the said Gabriel died 1 Feb'y, 1626, sometime before the death of the said Robert & he had issue at the time of his death by the body of the said Alice one Robert Throckmorton son & heir of the said Gabriel Throckmorton of the body of the said Alice begotten, which Robert is alive & resides at Ellington, and further they say that the said Ro. T. was seized of the Manor of Ellington & of the said estate. He decd. 12 Jan. last past before the taking of this inquisition & that Ro. T. is kinsman & next heir, viz: son & heir of Gabriel Throckmorton who was the eldest son of the said Ro. and that the said Robert at the time of the death of the said Ro. was 25 years old & further they say that Alice late the wife of the said Gabriel is living at Ellington.

The Manor of Ellington is held of our Lord King Charles by Knight service in Capite ¼ part of a Knight's fee. It is worth £6.*

WM. BARON, Escheator.

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ADAMS FAMILY.

(Compiled by William Newton Adams, Brooklyn, N. Y.)

From the old Maryland records at Annapolis, it appears that under date of 16th August, 1659, Zacharias Wade demanded land "for the transporting of Francis Adams, Mary Fox, Richard Nott & Edward Wade, anno 1658, as appears on record this year."

On October 2nd, 1661, 350 acres of land in Charles county, called "Troop's Rendezvous," on the east side of Fresh Avon river, were surveyed for Robert Troop; of which 185 acres were in the possession of Francis Adams.

In September, 1666, Francis Adams entered "his marke of hogs and cattle."

The following patents for land in Charles county were issued to him: 100 acres called "Batchelors Hope," patented 2d November, 1668; 100 acres called "Raly," patented 30th January, 1668-9; 145 acres called "Pinnar," patented 10th May, 1671.

* Probably amount of taxes.

In a deposition made by him in court in 1668, he states his age as "25 or 26 yeares."

On the 10th February, 1671, "came Francis Adams, of Charles county, and proved rights to one hundred acres of land for his own and Grace his wife's time of service performed in this Province. Warrant then granted the said Adams for one hundred acres of Land to him due as aforesaid. Certificate Returnable the 10th of May next."

His name appears occasionally in the court records as juryman, witness, party to deeds, &c., and in 1678, as member of the Grand Jury. He was one of the signers of "The humble Address of the Gentlemen, Merchants, Planters, Freeholders and Freemen their Majesties Protestant Subjects in Charles county in the Province of Maryland," dated 28th November, 1689, and addressed to William and Mary.

On the 22d December, 1698, an inventory of his personal estate was filed by George Godfrey and John Payne, appraisers, and on the 7th June, 1699, an account was rendered by his widow, Grace, as administratrix.

In the absence of direct proof, there is little doubt that the above Francis and Grace Adams, were the parents of

II. Francis Adams (Francis[1]), of Charles county, Maryland, born about 1680, died in 1766. In 1694, he entered "his marke of Cattle and Hogs." In 1704 he had married Mary (daughter of George Godfrey, of Charles county, who came to Maryland in 1664, and in 1680 was a justice of Charles county court and Lieutenant of the troop of horse commanded by the noted ranger, Captain Randolph Brandt. In 1681, in the dissentions which culminated in the revolution of 1689, he was accused of leading an attempt to rescue from prison the former Governor, Captain Josias Fendall. He was tried, convicted of treason to the proprietary and sentenced to be hanged. This sentence was commuted to imprisonment for life and confiscation of his estate. He was, however, shortly after pardoned and in 1683 obtained a grant of 250 acres of land, called "Trooper's Rendezvous," and he flourished for thirty years or more thereafter. He is variously styled in the records, "Lieutenant," "Planter," "Carpenter" and "Gentleman.")

By deed dated 13th November, 1707, the said Godfrey conveyed to Francis Adams[2] and Mary his wife, "in Consideration of the Naturall Love and affection which he hath and Beareth Towards the said Mary his Daughter, the wife of the said Francis Adams,[2]" part of a tract of land called "Troop's Rendezvous," in Charles county, comprising 100 acres; a gift previously acknowledged in court in 1704, and probably a marriage portion. On 16th August, 1716, John Hammon conveyed to Francis Adams,[2] "in consideration of 3,136 pounds of Tobacco, and for divers other causes and considerations," certain parcels of land in Charles county, including "part of a tract called 'Troop's Rendezvous,' formerly in possession of George Godfrey," and on this "Troop's Rendezvous" plantation (of which 185 acres were in the possession of the

first Francis Adams in 1661), he resided up to the time of his death, when he must have been over eighty six years of age. In his will dated 30th November, 1760, and recorded 26th May, 1766, he mentions the following children:

Francis,[3] of Charles county, Md., born ———, died 15th July, 1766, married Jane ——— (who married secondly, prior to October, 1771, Dr. William Lindsay), and left eight ch ldren, among others: William Godfrey[4] (warden of Durham parish in 1779); Walter[4]; Francis[4] (tobacco inspector in 1777-1783), and Samuel.[4]

Josias,[3] of Charles county, Md., born ——, died ——, 1773, married Ann —— (who died in 1775). In his will, dated 10th September, 1772, and recorded 17th August, 1773, he mentions the following children: Daniel Jenifer[4] (Major 7th Battalion Maryland Regulars, 1777; married Anna, daughter of Timothy Hanson, of Kent county, Del., and died in Wilmington, Del., 1796); Elizabeth Mason[4] and Alma.[4]

Samuel,[3] of Charles county, Md., born ——, died ——, 1748, married Charity (daughter of Col. John Courts, of "Clean Drinking Manor," Md.; she married secondly, in 1748, Samuel Moore, of Charles county). In his will dated ——, 1748, recorded 10th September, 1748, he mentions the following children: Tabitha[4] (died 1776, married William Russell, Jr., Colonel 13th Regiment Virginia Line, Revolutionary war; justice of peace and sheriff of Culpeper county, Va.); Athaleah[4] (married Joseph Hopewell); Celia[4] (married Joseph Stevens), and Cloe.[4]

Ignatius,[3] to whom his father bequeathed "Troop's Rendezvous." (An Ignatius Adams served in the Revolutionary war as a private in the 1st Maryland Regiment for 16 months and received land bounty 11th December, 1794; also as tobacco inspector in Charles county in 1778-1779.)

Benjamin,[3] died before 1760. Mentioned in will of his brother Samuel in 1748. Believed to have had a son Francis,[4] living in Virginia in 1749.

George.[3]

III. Abednego,[3] of whom hereafter.

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FITZHUGH FAMILY.

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40. NICHOLAS[5] FITZHUGH (*Henry*,[4] *Henry*,[3] *Wm.*[2]), born May 10, 1764, died ——. He was member of the House of Delegates for Fairfax county in 1790, 1791, 1802, and probably in other years, and in 1803 was appointed judge of the United States Circuit Court for the district of Washington, D. C. His will was dated April 10, 1805, and proved in Fairfax. He married Sarah, daughter of Burdett Ashton, of King George county. Issue: